

REMARKS

Summary of the Office Action

Claims 1, 3, and 44 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,453,378 to Olson et al. ("Olson").

Claims 2, 6, 43, 51, and 60-65 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Olson in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,557,738 to Townsley ("Townsley").

Claim 4 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Olson in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,463,742 to Kobayashi ("Kobayashi").

Claims 5, 7-8, 34-35 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Olson in view of Townsley and U.S. Patent No. 5,613,135 to Sakai ("Sakai").

Summary of the Response

With this response, Applicant is electing previously allowed claims. Accordingly a notice of allowance is requested.

Claims 1-8, 34, 35, 43, 45, 51, and 60-65 have been canceled. Claims 30, 44, 46, 47, 53, 57, and 67 have been amended. New Claims 71-74 have been added. No new matter has been added.

Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. § 102

Claims 1, 3, and 44 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Olson. Applicant has canceled Claims 1 and 3. Therefore this rejection is now moot.

Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. § 103

Claims 2, 6, 43, 51, and 60-65 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Olson in view Townsley.

Claim 4 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Olson in view of Kobayashi.

Claims 5, 7-8, 34-35 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Olson in view of Townsley and Sakai.

As Claims 2-8, 34, 35, 43, 51, and 60-65 have been canceled, this rejection is now moot.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 45-50 have been objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but allowable if rewritten in independent form to include all the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claim 44 has been amended to include the limitation of Claim 45, and Claim 45 has been canceled. Applicant submits that Claims 44 and 46-50 are allowable.

Applicant acknowledges that Claims 9, 10, 30, 31, 36, 37, 39, 52-59, and 66-70 are allowed.

Support for New Claims

Support for new claims may be found:

Claim 71: Specification, page 4, lines 13-17.

Claim 72: Specification, page 10, lines 4-16.

Claim 73: Specification, page 12, lines 17-19.

Claim 74: Specification, page 12, lines 1-5.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully submit that this application is in condition for allowance. The allowance of the claims is earnestly requested. The Examiner is invited to call the undersigned if there are any issues that remain to be resolved prior to allowance of the claims.

A petition for a one (1) month extension of time is included herewith.

AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE DEPOSIT ACCOUNT

Please charge deposit account 501914 for any underpayments in connection with this Office Action response.

Respectfully submitted,
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